

## Breastfeeding

Health Priority B: Adequate and Appropriate Nutrition

Objective B2b: By 2010, increase the proportion of mothers who breastfeed their infants.

2010 Target: 80% for newborns; 50% for infants at age 6 months; 25% for infants at age 12 months

Indicator: Breastfeeding

### Percent of Wisconsin Mothers Who Breastfed Their Infants in the Birth Hospital and at Six Months of Age

| Year | In Hospital | At Six Months |
|------|-------------|---------------|
| 2000 | 67.7%       | 27.7%         |
| 2001 | 70.1%       | 33.2%         |
| 2002 | 73.0%       | 33.5%         |
| 2003 | 71.0%       | 37.5%         |
| 2004 | 68.3%       | 36.1%         |

Source: Mothers Survey, Ross Products Division, Abbott Laboratories.  
(See data documentation.)

### Percent of Wisconsin Infants Who Were Ever Breastfed, Breastfed at Six Months of Age, and Breastfed at 12 Months of Age

| Year | (N)   | Ever Breastfed |     | Breastfed at 6 Months |     | Breastfed at 12 Months |     |
|------|-------|----------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|
|      |       | Percent        | +/- | Percent               | +/- | Percent                | +/- |
| 2003 | --    | 69.9%          | 4.4 | 35.1%                 | 4.6 | 14.0%                  | 3.2 |
| 2004 | (752) | 69.3%          | 5.1 | 38.1%                 | 5.1 | 14.8%                  | 3.4 |

Source: National Immunization Survey, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.  
Reflects survey responses for a sample of children aged 19 to 35 months.

N Number in sample. See data documentation.

-- Number in sample not available.

+/- 95% confidence interval. See data documentation.

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### Percent of Wisconsin Infants in WIC Who Were Ever Breastfed, by Race/Ethnicity

| Year | Total | African<br>American* | American<br>Indian* | Asian* | Hispanic | White* |
|------|-------|----------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| 2000 | 51.0% | 34.3%                | 52.3%               | 31.1%  | 67.0%    | 55.4%  |
| 2001 | 53.4% | 35.1%                | 54.5%               | 37.1%  | 70.6%    | 56.9%  |
| 2002 | 55.0% | 37.9%                | 60.0%               | 37.0%  | 72.3%    | 57.6%  |
| 2003 | 58.2% | 43.0%                | 59.4%               | 42.2%  | 76.3%    | 58.8%  |
| 2004 | 59.3% | 43.6%                | 59.6%               | 46.5%  | 77.5%    | 60.7%  |

Source: Pediatric Nutrition Surveillance System, Wisconsin, Summary, Unpublished Tables,  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Table 19C.

Note: WIC is the Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program.

\* Non-Hispanic

### Percent of Wisconsin Infants in WIC Who Were Breastfed at Least 6 Months, by Race/Ethnicity

| Year | Total | African<br>American* | American<br>Indian* | Asian* | Hispanic | White* |
|------|-------|----------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| 2000 | 22.1% | 13.0%                | 23.5%               | 17.1%  | 31.3%    | 23.4%  |
| 2001 | 22.5% | 12.5%                | 20.1%               | 10.6%  | 32.9%    | 24.3%  |
| 2002 | 22.6% | 13.5%                | 30.1%               | 15.3%  | 32.8%    | 23.1%  |
| 2003 | 23.8% | 15.1%                | 21.8%               | 14.1%  | 35.0%    | 24.0%  |
| 2004 | 25.0% | 14.9%                | 28.2%               | 26.2%  | 38.0%    | 23.8%  |

Source: Pediatric Nutrition Surveillance System, Wisconsin, Summary, Unpublished Tables,  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Table 19C.

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### Percent of Wisconsin Infants in WIC Who Were Breastfed at Least 12 Months, by Race/Ethnicity

| Year | Total | African American* | American Indian* | Asian* | Hispanic | White* |
|------|-------|-------------------|------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| 2000 | 14.6% | 8.7%              | 22.2%            | 15.9%  | 20.2%    | 15.1%  |
| 2001 | 14.4% | 8.8%              | 18.4%            | 9.9%   | 20.8%    | 15.0%  |
| 2002 | 14.9% | 8.8%              | 19.9%            | 11.3%  | 21.7%    | 15.1%  |
| 2003 | 14.8% | 9.6%              | 19.8%            | 9.9%   | 21.8%    | 14.4%  |
| 2004 | 16.1% | 10.7%             | 18.3%            | 15.8%  | 22.6%    | 15.7%  |

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